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Ontario Energy Board

<u>Attn</u>: Ms. Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary
P.O. Box 2319

2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor
Toronto, Ontario, M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: <u>EB-2008-0150 – Energy Issues Relating to Low Income Consumers – LEAP</u> <u>Implementation Working Groups</u>

In response to the Ontario Energy Board's ("Board's") letter dated May 11, 2009, the City of Kitchener ("Kitchener") does not intend to nominate a representative to actively participate on either the Financial Assistance or Conservation working groups. Kitchener does intend to participate more actively in the implementation of the Customer Service component of LEAP as and when the Board determines how matters will proceed once it has fully considered the stakeholder comments made in response to the proposed amendments to the various Codes in the Board's March 10, 2009 Notice.

Kitchener notes and supports the Board's comments regarding the representation of relevant constituencies in the implementation working groups and sizing the groups effectively. In order to ensure that all parties with an interest in the implementation of LEAP can remain informed of issues and progress, Kitchener respectfully suggests that Board Staff post all agenda, minutes and working documents related to the working groups on the Board's website. Alternatively, or in addition to website posting, such documents could be circulated by e-mail to all interested parties, including those who are not present at the meetings of the working groups.

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Kitchener thanks the Board for this opportunity to respond to its May 11th letter and hopes the comments above are helpful.

Sincerely,

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Cc: W. Malcolm (Kitchener)

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